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SUBJECT: UNCTAD CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES - OPENING
SESSION AND WORKING ARRANGEMENTS

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1. FOURTH WORKING GROUP SESSION OFFICIALLY OPENED JUNE 10 WITH SPEECH
BY MEXICAN FONSEC RABASA. RABASA EXPRESSED IMPORTANCE MEXICO
ATTACHES SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION THIS SESSION WITH DRAFT TEXT FOR PRESEN-

TATIONTOUNCTAD BOARD AND UNGA. NOTED OBLIGATION TO FULFILL MANDATE
OF UNGA SPECIAL SESSION AND REMARKED THAT "NEED TO ESTABLISH NEW
ECONOMIC ORDER CRYSTAL CLEAR". HE EXHIBITED AT SAME TIME AWARENESS OF
DIFFICULTIES STILL AHEAD. CREMONY GIVEN WIDE COVERAGE BY PRESS AND TV.

2. DELEGATIONS OF PHILIPPINES (ASIAN 77), BULGARIA (GROUP D), KENYA
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(AFRICA 77), BELGIUM (GROUP B), JAMAICA (LATIN AMERICAN 77), YUGO-

SLAVIA AND SPAIN ADDRESSED SESSION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO MEXICO FOR HOSTING MEETING AND OPTIMISM AT SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME. SESSION ALSO ADDRESSED BY PRC WHICH EMPHASIZED THIRD-WORLD OBJECTIVES AND DIFF-

ICULTIES STILL TO BE OVERCOME, AND BY ALGERIA WHICH ALSO STRESSED THIRD-WORLD CONTEXT OF CHARTER AND NEED TO OVERCOME COLONIALISM AND NEO-COLONIALISM. FINAL SPEAKER USDEL WHO SECONDED CHINESE COMMENT THAT WE HAVE UPHILL TASK BUT ADDED THAT THROUGH COOPERATIVE EFFORT WE COULD ACHIEVE A "BALANCED CHARTER".

3. IN AFTERNOON SESSION, WORKING GROUP AGREED TO CHAIRMAN CASTANEDA'S SUGGESTION OF ESTABLISHING FOUR NEGOTIATING GROUPS WHICH WILL FOCUS ON:

A) INTERNATIONAL DIVISION OF LABOR (IV(A) OF PREAMBLE; PARA 5 CHAP. II)

(B) NON-DISCRIMINATION, MFN, AND EXPANSION WORLD TRADE (IV(B). VI(BIS) OF PREAMBLE; PARA 3, 19 CHAP II) TO BE CHAIRED BY PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR BRILLANTES.

C) INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT (I(K) OF PREAMBLE; PARA 13, 15 CHAP II)

D) INVESTMENT AND OTHER ISSUES (PARA 2,10,11 CHAP II) TO BE CHAIRED BY CASTANEDA.

NEGOTIATING GROUPS WILL REPORT TO SINGLE SUB-GROUP WHICH IS TO BE CHAIRED BY AMBASSADOR BRILLANTES. CERTAIN ISSUES WHERE COUNTRIES HAVE SPECIAL INTERESTS (IE. COLLECTIVE ECONOMIC SECURITY; JOINT RESOURCES) WILL INITIALLY BE NEGOTIATED SEPARATELY BY COUNTRIES DIRECTLY CONCERNED.

4. US WILL BE REPRESENTED ON ALL FOUR NEGOTIATING GROUPS, JOINED BY ONE EC REP PLUS REP FROM EITHER JAPAN, CANADA, OR AUSTRIA. AS IN PAST SESSIONS, GROUPS WILL BE OPEN-ENDED WITH ALL DELEGATES, BOTH OFFICIAL AND OBSERVERS, HAVING RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN DEBATE. ONE GROUP B REP WILL CHAIR GROUP (A) OR (C) WITH THE OTHER BEING CHAIRED BY KENYA, REPRESENTING AFRICAN 77.

5. NEGOTIATING GROUPS WILL MEET TWO AT A TIME, DELEGATIONS AGREED TO STICK TO SPECIFIC ISSUES IDENTIFIED FOR EACH WORKING GROUP AND ONLY DISCUSS NEW ISSUES AFTER THESE ARE RESOLVED OR CLOSE TO SETTLEMENT.

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6. TENTATIVE DEADLINE FOR AGREEMENT IN NEGOTIATING GROUPS IS JUNE 24, AFTER WHICH COMPLETED TEXT WILL BE REFERRED BACK TO RESPECTIVE CAPITALS FOR CONSIDERATION.
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